(*b*) whether those instruments are being used at all at present?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) £ 441-15 s.-7 d.

(*b*) Yes.

MR. KURANDIPALLIL R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know the name of the doctor who uses these instruments?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): That information is not here.

MR. KURANDIPALLIL R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Quilon*): Mr. K. P. Raman Pillai was the expert who was using those instruments. May I know whether there are such Doctors in the General Hospital who can use them?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): There are Doctors who are capable of using them.

MR. KURANDIPALLIL R. RAMAN PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know their names?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The names will be called for from the Administrative Board, Medical Services, if the member is particular to have them.

Failure of Joint Stock Companies.

149. **MR. KURANDIPALLIL R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Quilon*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of Joint Stock Companies which failed within the last seven years (1096-1102);

(*b*) whether the Government made any investigation into the causes of such failure; and

(*c*) whether they propose to make an enquiry into that matter?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 133.

(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

(*c*) The Government do not consider that a special enquiry into the matter is called for.

Minor Irrigation Works in Quilon Taluk.

150. **MR. KURANDIPALLIL R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Quilon*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total amount spent for minor irrigation works in the several parts of the Quilon taluk within the last ten years (1093-1102) except in Kallada;

(*b*) whether any special officer has been appointed for irrigation works in Quilon as announced by the Dewan in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly; and

(*c*) if not, whether the Government propose to appoint such an officer in Quilon in the near future?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Nil.

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